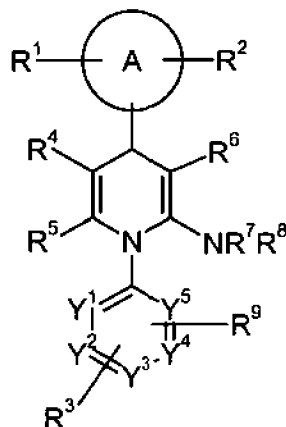


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~the general~~ formula (I)



wherein

A represents an aryl or heteroaryl ring,

R¹, R² and R³ independently from each other represent hydrogen, halogen, nitro, cyano, C₁-C₆-alkyl, hydroxy or C₁-C₆-alkoxy, wherein C₁-C₆-alkyl and C₁-C₆-alkoxy can be further substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy and C₁-C₄-alkoxy,

R⁴ represents C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkenoxycarbonyl, hydroxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-C₁-C₄-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₆-C₁₀-arylaminocarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl, heterocyclylcarbonyl or cyano, wherein C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, mono- and di-C₁-C₄-alkylaminocarbonyl can be substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, C₁-C₄-alkoxy, hydroxycarbonyl, C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- and di-C₁-C₄-alkylamino, aminocarbonyl, mono- and di-C₁-C₄-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcarbonylamino, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl and tri-(C₁-C₆-alkyl)-silyl,

R⁵ represents C₁-C₄-alkyl, which can be substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-alkenoxy, C₁-C₆-alkylthio, amino, mono- and di-C₁-C₆-alkylamino, hydroxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl and the radical -O-(C₁-C₄)-alkyl-O-(C₁-C₄)-alkyl,

or

R⁵ represents C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl,

R⁶ represents cyano, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-C₁-C₄-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₃-C₈-cycloalkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, hydroxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylcarbonyl or heterocyclylcarbonyl, wherein mono- and di-C₁-C₄-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylcarbonyl and heterocyclylcarbonyl can be substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁-C₄-alkoxy, hydroxycarbonyl, C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- and di-C₁-C₄-alkylamino, aminocarbonyl, mono- and di-C₁-C₄-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcarbonylamino, tri-(C₁-C₆-alkyl)-silyl, phenyl and heteroaryl,

R⁷ represents hydrogen, C₁-C₆-alkyl, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-C₁-C₆-alkyl-aminocarbonyl or C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl,

R⁸ represents hydrogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl,

R⁹ represents ~~hydrogen, halogen, nitro, cyano, trifluoromethyl, or~~ C₁-C₆-alkyl, ~~hydroxy, C₁-C₆-alkoxy or trifluoromethoxy, wherein C₁-C₆-alkyl and C₁-C₆-alkoxy can be further substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of hydroxy and C₁-C₄-alkoxy,~~

and

Y^1 , Y^2 , Y^3 , Y^4 and Y^5 independently from each other represent CH or N, wherein the ring contains either 0, 1 or 2 nitrogen atoms.

2. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1, wherein

A represents an aryl ring,

R^1 , R^2 and R^3 independently from each other represent hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, fluoro, chloro, bromo, nitro, cyano, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy,

R^4 represents C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkenoxycarbonyl, hydroxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di- C_1 - C_4 -alkylaminocarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl or cyano, wherein C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, mono- and di- C_1 - C_4 -alkylaminocarbonyl can be substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, C_1 - C_4 -alkoxy, C_1 - C_4 -alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- and di- C_1 - C_4 -alkylamino, heterocyclyl or tri- $(C_1$ - C_6 -alkyl)-silyl,

R^5 represents C_1 - C_4 -alkyl, which can be substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of halogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy, C_1 - C_6 -alkenoxo, C_1 - C_6 -alkylthio and the radical $-O-(C_1$ - C_4)-alkyl- $O-(C_1$ - C_4)-alkyl,

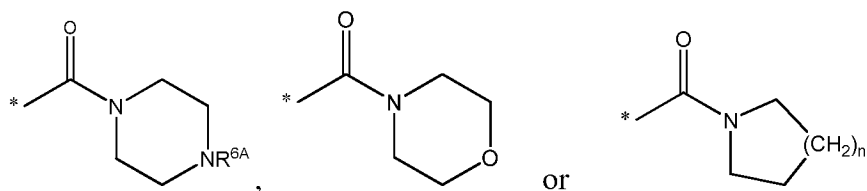
or

R^5 represents C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl,

R^6 represents cyano, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di- C_1 - C_4 -alkylaminocarbonyl, C_3 - C_8 -cycloalkylaminocarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylcarbonyl, hydroxycarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, heteroaryl or heterocyclyl, wherein mono- and di- C_1 - C_4 -alkylaminocarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, heteroaryl and heterocyclyl can be substituted with one to three identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, C_1 - C_4 -alkoxy and tri- $(C_1$ - C_6 -alkyl)-silyl,

or

R^6 represents a moiety of the formula



wherein R^{6A} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, and n represents an integer of 1 or 2,

R^7 represents hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, aminocarbonyl or mono- or di- C_1 - C_6 -alkyl-aminocarbonyl,

R^8 represents hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl,

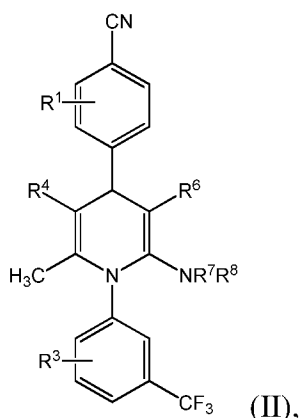
R^9 represents ~~hydrogen, halogen,~~ nitro, ~~cyano,~~ trifluoromethyl, ~~trifluoromethoxy,~~ methyl or ethyl,

and

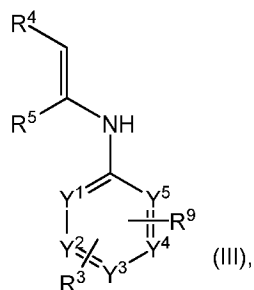
Y^1 , Y^2 , Y^3 , Y^4 and Y^5 each represent CH.

3. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (1) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein A is phenyl.
4. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^1 is hydrogen.
5. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^2 is cyano.
6. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^3 is hydrogen.

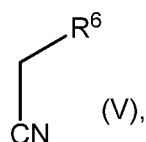
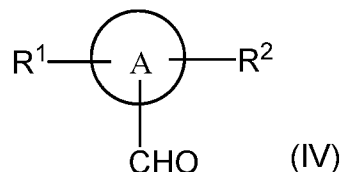
7. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^4 is C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl or cyano.
8. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^5 is methyl.
9. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^6 is cyano, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-methyl- or -ethylaminocarbonyl, methoxycarbonyl or ethoxycarbonyl.
10. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^7 and/or R^8 is hydrogen.
11. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^9 is trifluoromethyl or nitro.
12. (Currently amended) A compound of ~~general formula (II)~~ according to claim 1 or 2, wherein said compound is a compound of formula (II):



- wherein R^1 , R^3 , R^4 , R^6 , R^7 and R^8 have the meaning indicated in claim 1 or 2.
13. (Currently amended) A process ~~Process~~ for synthesizing ~~the compounds~~ a compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R^7 and R^8 represent hydrogen, by condensing ~~compounds~~ a compound of ~~general~~ formula (III)



wherein R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁹, and Y¹ to Y⁵ have the meaning described in claim 1 or 2,
 in the presence of a base, with ~~compounds~~ a compound of the general formulas formula (IV)
 and a compound of formula (V)



wherein R¹, R², R⁶ and A have the meaning described in claim 1 or 2.

14. (Currently amended) A composition containing at least one compound of ~~general~~ formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2 and a pharmacologically acceptable diluent.
15. (Canceled)
16. (Currently amended) ~~A The process for the preparation of compositions~~ a composition containing at least one compound of formula (I) according to claim 1 and a pharmacologically acceptable diluent, according to claim 14 characterized in that compounds said process comprising bringing said compound of general formula (I) according to claim 1 or 2 together with and customary auxiliaries ~~are brought~~ into a suitable application form.
17. (Canceled)
18. (Withdrawn) A method of treating acute and chronic inflammatory, ischaemic or remodelling processes, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.

19. (Canceled)
20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, wherein the acute and chronic inflammatory, ischaemic or remodelling process is selected from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, acute coronary syndrome, acute myocardial infarction or development of heart failure.